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NITROOXY DERIVATIVES OF LOSARTAN, VALSARTAN, CANDESARTAN, TELMISARTAN, EPROSARTAN AND OLMESARTAN AS ANGIOTENSIN-II RECEPTOR BLOCKERS FOR THE TREATMENT OF CARDIOVASCULAR

DISEASES

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Sir:

This paper is timely filed in response to the Final Office Action dated November 23, 2009, in the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections in view of the following remarks.

- I. The **Remarks** begin on page 2; and
- II. The **Conclusion** begins on page 4.